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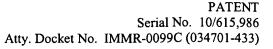
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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a formal review of the legal and factual basis of the rejections in the above referenced application in view of the following remarks:

Claim 65 recites a touch screen and a piezoelectric actuator directly coupled to the touch screen. The Office Action acknowledges that Fujita does not disclose such direct coupling, between touch panel 3 and driving portion 5 (the alleged actuator) of Fujita. The Office Action therefore points to Kwon for the missing direct coupling. However, Kwon does not show direct coupling between a touch screen and an actuator. In fact no actuator whatsoever is disclosed in Kwon. The device in Kwon is designed to sense user input on a touch panel, not to provide tactile (or haptic) feedback to the user. Since no tactile feedback is generated, there is no need for an actuator. The driving circuit of Kwon is just that—a circuit. It is not an actuator and, in any case, its resistors 3,4 are depicted in electrical schematic form only, from which direct

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coupling cannot be adduced. Accordingly, Kwon does not remedy the failure of Fujita to disclose direct coupling between a touch screen and an actuator and the obviousness rejection of claim 65, and the remaining dependent claims, based on these two references is improper and should be withdrawn.

Please charge any additional required fees, or credit any overpayment to our deposit account no. 50-1698.

Respectfully submitted,

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